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Information circular*

To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: **Designation of duty stations for purposes of rest and recuperation**

1. In accordance with administrative instruction ST/AI/2011/7 and Amend.1 and 2, on rest and recuperation, and following inter-agency consultations, the Office of Human Resources Management approves the Secretariat duty stations that qualify for rest and recuperation, the frequencies thereof and the designation of rest and recuperation destinations. The annex to the present circular contains the list of duty stations approved for rest and recuperation purposes effective as from 1 January 2014.

2. In duty stations where the rest and recuperation frequency has been reduced, the new cycle takes effect immediately. In duty stations where the frequency of rest and recuperation has been prolonged (from 4 to 6 weeks, from 6 to 8 weeks or from 8 to 12 weeks) or where it has been discontinued, staff members or eligible individuals who have already started accruing qualifying service prior to 1 January 2014 may avail themselves of rest and recuperation after completing the period of qualifying service previously in effect. Upon the return of the staff member or other eligible individual to the duty station, the new frequency shall apply.

3. Should security or severe hardship conditions improve or deteriorate at specific duty stations during the course of the year, the duration of the period of qualifying service (frequency) may be adjusted by the Office of Human Resources Management following inter-agency consultations. Similarly, significant changes in a duty station environment may result in the approval or discontinuation of rest and recuperation.

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Annex

Consolidated list of duty stations[a] approved by the Office of Human Resources Management for rest and recuperation purposes (effective as from 1 January 2014)

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Afghanistan		
Entire country	6 weeks	Dubai
Algeria		
Tindouf	8 weeks	Las Palmas
Burkina Faso		
Dori	12 weeks	Ouagadougou
Burundi		
Ngozi	12 weeks	Nairobi
Central African Republic		
Entire country	6 weeks	Yaoundé
Chad		
Abeche, Farchana, Goz Beida, Koukou, Mao, N'Djamena	8 weeks	Addis Ababa
Colombia		
Quibdo	12 weeks	Bogota
Côte d'Ivoire		
Entire country except Abidjan and Yamoussoukro	8 weeks	Accra
Democratic Republic of the Congo		
Aru, Beni, Bukavu, Bunia, Butembo, Dungu, Goma, Kalemie, Mahagi, Uvira	6 weeks	Entebbe
Bandundu, Gemena, Kamina, Kananga, Kindu, Kinshasa, Kisangani, Matadi, Mbandaka, Mbuji-Mayi	8 weeks	Entebbe
Lubumbashi	12 weeks	Entebbe

[a] Reflects duty stations with a presence of Secretariat staff members. Specialized agencies, funds and programmes issue organization-specific lists.

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		
Pyongyang	8 weeks	Beijing
Ethiopia		
Gode	6 weeks	Addis Ababa
Jijiga	8 weeks	Addis Ababa
Gaza		
Gaza (entire)	8 weeks	Amman
Guinea-Bissau		
Bafata, Bissau, Buba	12 weeks	Dakar
Haiti		
Entire country	8 weeks	Santo Domingo
Iraq		
Baghdad, Basra, Kirkuk	4 weeks	Amman
Erbil	8 weeks	Amman
Kenya		
Dadaab	6 weeks	Nairobi
Kyrgyzstan		
Osh	8 weeks	Istanbul
Liberia		
Entire country	8 weeks	Accra
Libya		
Benghazi, Sabha, Tripoli	6 weeks	Malta
Mali		
Gao, Kidal, Tessalit	4 weeks	Dakar
Tombouctou	6 weeks	Dakar
Bamako, Kayes, Mopti	8 weeks	Dakar
Mauritania		
Nema	8 weeks	Nouakchott

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Myanmar		
Myitkyina (Kachin State), Sittwe	12 weeks	Yangon
Niger		
Maradi, Tahoua, Zinder	12 weeks	Niamey
Pakistan		
Peshawar	6 weeks	Dubai
Islamabad	8 weeks	Dubai
Papua New Guinea		
Port Moresby	12 weeks	Brisbane
Philippines		
Guian, Ormoc, Roxas, Tacloban, Tagbilaran City	4 weeks	Manila
Cebu, Cotabato City, Iligan City, Zamboanga City	8 weeks	Manila
Cateel, Puerto Princesa City	12 weeks	Manila
Serbia		
Kosovska Mitrovica	8 weeks	Ljubljana
Sierra Leone		
Bo, Kenema	12 weeks	Accra
Somalia		
Baidoa, Boosaaso, Garoowe, Kismaayo, Mogadishu	4 weeks	Nairobi
Hargeysa	6 weeks	Nairobi
South Sudan		
Akobo, Akon, Aweil, Bentiu, Bor, Boro Medina, Bunj, Gendrassa, Gok Machar, Jam Jang, Jamam, Juba, Kwacjok, Maban, Malakal, Melut, Paryang, Pibor, Pulmok, Rumbek, Tambura, Wunrok, Yei, Yida, Yirol, Yuai	6 weeks	Entebbe
Rest of the country	8 weeks	Entebbe
Sri Lanka		
Kilinochchi	8 weeks	Colombo

Duty station	*Frequency*	*Rest and recuperation destination*
Sudan		
Abyei, Buram (S. Darfur), Ed Al Fursan (S. Darfur), El Da'ein (Darfur), El Fasher (Darfur), El Geneina (Darfur), Foro Baranga (W. Darfur), Gereida (S. Darfur), Habila, Kabkabiya (Darfur), Kadugli, Khor Abeche (S. Darfur), Khor Omer, Kulbus (Darfur), Kutum (Darfur), Labado (S. Darfur), Mallit (N. Darfur), Manawashi, Marla (S. Darfur), Masteri (W. Darfur), Mornei (W. Darfur), Muhajiriya, Muglad (Southern Kordofan), Mukjar (Darfur), Nertiti (W. Darfur), Nyala (Darfur), Saraf Omra/Umra (N. Darfur), Shangil Tobay (N. Darfur), Sheiria (S. Darfur), Tawila, Um Baru (W. Darfur), Um Kadada (N. Darfur), Zalingei (Darfur), Zam Zam (N. Darfur)	6 weeks	Entebbe
Ed Damazin	8 weeks	Entebbe
Port Sudan	12 weeks	Entebbe
Syrian Arab Republic		
Entire country	4 weeks	Amman
Uganda		
Moroto	8 weeks	Kampala
Kitgum	12 weeks	Kampala
West Bank		
Ramallah	8 weeks	Amman
Yemen		
Harad, Sana'a	6 weeks	Larnaca